Summary of School Lunch Tray Topics for 2022

This document summarizes the School Lunch Tray topics for 2022. The School Lunch Tray is the CSDE's weekly e-newsletter for Connecticut sponsors of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) school nutrition programs, including the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Afterschool Snack Program (ASP) of the NSLP, Seamless Summer Option (SSO) of the NSLP, and Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP).

Click the links in the "Links" column to access a PDF of the School Lunch Tray and, when applicable, the corresponding Table Talk webinar and transcript.

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Date	Links	Topics
01-19-2022	SLT Newsletter 01-19-2022	 Reminder: Required Information for Use of USDA Nationwide Waivers by Seamless Summer Option (SSO) Sponsors: Due January 31, 2022 USDA Foods Reminder: Foods Available List for School Year 2022-23 USDA Foods Reminder: Refrigerated Cheese Items Reminder: CSDE's Table Talk Resumes Tomorrow, Thursday, January 20, 2022 Resource Roundup: CSDE's School Lunch Tray and Table Talk Webpage Connecticut's USDA Food Show and Conference Goes Virtual: January 26-28, 2022 Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN) Training Sessions for February and March 2022
01-12-2022	SLT Newsletter 01-12-2022	 Instructions for Completing the "USDA Waivers" Section of Connecticut's Online Application and Claiming System for Child Nutrition Programs (CNP System): Seamless Summer Option of the National School Lunch Program Change in Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Reimbursement Rates for the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) of the National School Lunch Program Reminder: CSDE's Survey for Reporting Supply Chain Issues Impacting Operations CSDE's Table Talk Resumes on Thursday, January 20, 2022 Resource Roundup: School Nutrition Foundation Funding for Schools Institute of Child Nutrition (ICN) Webinar, January 13, 2022: Highlighting Success Stories in Supply Chain Disruptions - Part 1 ICN Webinar, January 13, 2022: Kitchen Efficiency: Time-Saving Tips for Improving Workflow

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01-05-2022	<u>SLT Newsletter</u> <u>01-05-2022</u>	 New School Lunch Tray Format New CSDE Form: Documentation of Meal Service in the School Nutrition Programs during Unanticipated School Closures during School Year 2021-22 Planning for Instructional Days for School Year (SY) 2021-22 USDA Foods Update: Foods Available List for School Year 2022-23 Resource Roundup: Authorized Signatures Change Form and Instructions 	
		 Strategies to Improve School Meal Consumption New USDA Infographic: Stepping into the New Year with MyPlate 	

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For more information, visit the CSDE's School Lunch Tray and Table Talk webpage or contact the school nutrition programs staff in the CSDE's Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841.

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